

## Peer Review Plan

Preliminary Title: The Baby Boom and Rural Population Change: Past, Present, and Future  
☒ Influential Scientific Information  
Agency: Economic Research Service ☐ Highly Influential Scientific Assessment  
USDA  
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Subject of Review: Members of the baby boom cohort, now 42-61 years old, are approaching a period in their lives when moves to rural destinations increase. This report presents analysis of age-specific, net migration to determine what types of rural and small-town places were attractive to baby boomer migrants during the 1990s, what types of rural and small-town places are likely to experience the greatest surge in baby boomer migration during 2000-2020, and how large this population increase likely will be.

Purpose of Review: The purpose of the review is to ensure the high-quality of the economic analysis, transparent explanation of methods, objective interpretation of results, and effective communication to the intended audience.

Type of Review: ☐ Panel Review ☒ Individual Reviewers

☐ Alternative Process (Briefly Explain):

Timing of Review (Est.): Start: 07/05/07 End: XX/XX/XX Completed: XX/XX/XX

Number of Reviewers: ☐ 3 or fewer ☒ 4 to 10 ☐ More than 10

Primary Disciplines/Types of Expertise Needed for Review: Economists

Reviewers selected by: ☒ Agency ☐ Designated Outside Organization

Organization's Name:

Opportunities for Public Comment? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, briefly state how and when these opportunities will be provided:

How:

When:

Peer Reviewers Provided with Public Comments? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Public Nominations Requested for Review Panel? ☐ Yes ☒ No

